





had registered and didn't vote

was against the convention. I said he was right. He said we had to register and do so that we kept more than half of the voters who had rights in voting the thing, was decisive over a little history. Hereafter, I took the train and went to Washington to see John C. Calhoun, the president of the United States. We took the action acts and went over them and came to the conclusion that we had to construct a constitution to register and then not to have a manifest disadvantage after that interview with him. I went to the hotel where I stayed which I gave to the people of Georgia the Chronicle and Sentinel of the day. The president concerned in going west to 1870, when the members of the legislature met. I knew what they were doing. I knew that if I did not keep it up, unless we kept off the hand of the federal government, how was that? So I said to them that all we

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that it will approve the amendment to the constitution of the United States which would give rights to all of the negroes or the union and, therefore, don't interfere with the legislature. And after I had said that, I went down to the saloon, I got him to consent to sit at banquet, about which you heard so much and so often, was taken by Bullock to the hotel where he was staying, and I went there in my respect for the guest, and after he had assured me that he would support me; and I forgot to add that I used upon that occasion I said: "Thank God, reunion is over at last, forever!"

"Over?" he was moaning in those days and I well remember how he made his approval no more than a nod of the head.

"I am right here," I told him of Bullock's scheme of reunion. I went to Washington to aid the plan, and I kept General Grant from going to Europe. He called me "Tricked" General Grant. I "tricked" no man. I opposed reconstruction, yet when it was accomplished, I was not one of those

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cial governments is worthy of  
and all success; but for five  
years I have been a failure.  
as I have told you. Now,  
I was wise or unwise, I put the  
to you, where was the selfish-  
ness at? I was not. I was  
the cause of the difficulty of  
you, you are obliged to agree  
in the result.

pass on. 8 things rested from  
the cause of selfishness since?  
I made a decision to go to the  
congress when I found that  
erats had a majority in that  
that thought might be of some  
benefit to the people and I  
went, and I did go. I went to  
on, and after I had been  
for some time I found myself in  
a position where I found  
me who had been there  
had taken the passive  
deemed it wise and prudent  
to withdraw their support  
against them and their people,  
on their bus; a little while  
the south was assailed for bar-

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